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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 Raymond L. Smith

11 Plaintiff,

No. CIV S 05-0566 LKK CMK PS

12 vs.

13 Gust Keproes, et. al.,

14 Defendants.


ORDER

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16 Currently before the court is plaintiff's request for appointment of counsel. In the
17 complaint filed March 23, 2005, plaintiff alleges that defendant Kepreos refused to allow
18 plaintiff to sell his mobile home because of plaintiff's status as a disabled person. Plaintiff also
19 alleges that, due to plaintiff's disability defendant Kepreos engaged other named defendants to
20 bully plaintiff into moving out of his mobile home and terminating his tenancy with the mobile
21 home park.

22 The gravamen of plaintiff's complaint is that he was discriminated against
23 in housing based on his disability. Plaintiff seeks appointment of counsel pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §
24 3613(b), which provides that a district court "may...appoint an attorney for [a person alleging
25 discriminatory housing practices]." Id. §3613(b)(1).

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's request for the appointment of counsel is denied.


CRAIG M. KELLISON
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE